

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 4 through 7 to read as follows:

4. (once amended) A compound according to claim 2 wherein R¹ is methoxy, amino- or guanidino-(C₃₋₅)alkyloxy, guanidino(C₃₋₅)alkyloxy, piperidyl(C₃₋₅)alkyloxy, nitro or fluoro, and R^{1a} is hydrogen.
5. (once amended) A compound according to claim 2 wherein R³ is in the 3-position and is CH₂CO₂H or 2-oxo-oxazolidinyl.
6. (once amended) A compound according to claim 2 wherein AB(CH₂)_n is (CH₂)₃.
7. (once amended) A compound according to claim 2 wherein R⁴ is (C₅₋₁₀)alkyl, unsubstituted phenyl(C₂₋₃)alkyl or unsubstituted phenyl(C₃₋₄)alkenyl.

Please add new claim 13.

13. (new) A compound according to claim 2 wherein Z⁵ is CH or N and Z¹⁻⁴ are each CH; R¹ is methoxy, amino- or guanidino-(C₃₋₅)alkyloxy, guanidino(C₃₋₅)alkyloxy, piperidyl(C₃₋₅)alkyloxy, nitro or fluoro, and R^{1a} is hydrogen; R³ is in the 3-position and is CH₂CO₂H or 2-oxo-oxazolidinyl; AB(CH₂)_n is (CH₂)₃; and R⁴ is (C₅₋₁₀)alkyl, unsubstituted phenyl(C₂₋₃)alkyl or unsubstituted phenyl(C₃₋₄)alkenyl.

REMARKS

Upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1 - 13 are pending. Claims 4 - 7 have been amended to delete multiple dependent claim language. No new matter is being added. New claim 13 is being added, support being found in claims 2 - 7 as originally filed.